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Owner:

Edwin Cole

Date of Erection:

About 1679

Architect:

Unknown

Builder:

Unknown

Present Condition:

Destroyed

Number of Stories:

11 stories

Materials of Construction:

1½ story frame structure much altered during its lifetime, but old beams are in the possession of Rhode Island School of Design. House converted into wider building by adding at front and rear. Also raised to two and one-half stories in height. Additions date from 1750.

Other Existing Records:

Early Rhode Island Houses, by Islam & Brown, printed in 1895, reference, P.91.

The Rhode Island Guide, printed in 1937, reference, P.324.

Rhode Island Historical Society
Book--"The Greenes of Rhode Island"
1534-1902 (a family history),
printed in 1903. References, pages
61-62-73-74-75-106-107-166-167
168-170-280-281-746.

State of Rhode Island and Providence Plantations at the End of the Century-A.B.Field, printed in 1902, reference, P. 610.

## Other Existing Records: (continued)

Rhode Island Biographical Cyclopedia, reference P.24.

Handbook of Historical Sites in Rhode Island by Providence Department of Public Schools, printed in 1936, reference P.84. Quote: "It has received many additions but the original house is still included in the building. This part probably dates from 1676."

## Additional Data:

House was built about 1679 after King Philip's War-all houses, except Thomas Smith's "Stone Castle", which was a garrison house, were burned.

Deputy Governor John Greene built this house for his son, Job Greene. The house had elaborate hand carved mouldings adorning the great beams which are still in place in the ceiling.

The property remained in the Greene family for almost one hundred and fifty years.

In 1823 the property was sold to Mr. Cole, father of Edward A. Cole.

Edward A. Cole received the property by inheritance. It was then inherited by Edwin Cole, son of Edward A. Cole.

In 1938 in possession of Edwin Cole. (Building razed shortly/thereafter).

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